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- Despite severe governmental pressure, in the Plzen district 177 farmers having 15 hectares of land and 20 farmers owning more than 15 hectares have refused to sign contracts setting up production quotas and scales of compensation.
- 2. Increasing discontent among laborers has recently manifested itself in two strikes. The first of these took place at Kladno, where miners staged the first malk-out since February 1939. Kladno is known as the center of Communism in Bohemia. The strike was organized in protest against low wages which do not cover the basic requirements of the miners' families. The second strike was staged by workers employed by the bakery "Odkolek".
- 3. The Communist Party at Olomouc has recently been embarrassed by revelation of corruption in the Zora chocolate factory. It is reported that 5 to 6 million crowns worth of chocolate and cocoa were embezzled. Those involved in the scandal have been arrested. They are: the director of the Homolka factory; the director of the Gaba Committee (the Secretary of the industrial section of the Olomouc district's Action Committee); two secretaries of the Stavinoha and Zuzanak district committees; the former vice-president of the Pantucek National Central Committee.

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